



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:

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Title: SLIDERS BONDED BY A DEBONDABLE SILICON-BASED ENCAPSULANT

**AMENDMENT, RESPONSE, REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action that was mailed on October 17, 2007, in the above-identified application for which a three-month period for response was given. Accordingly, filed herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time and a request for continued examination. The fees for the extension of time and continued examination are included with this response. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.